African Violets

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DOUBLE PAINTED GIRL

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PLEASE READ BEFORE ORDERING

Please print your full Name and Street Address, also City and State, in Capital Letters on all orders.

Because of ever-increasing postal costs, please add 45c on all plant orders amounting to \$3.00 or less. On all orders of over \$3.00, add 65c; west of the Mississippi, add 85c. Rather than increase our prices on individual plants to the point that would make your Violet hobby an expensive luxury, we have in many cases lowered our prices. Our greatly increased production of all good standard and new varieties has made this possible. All plants are grown at our greenhouses, with a capacity of over 200,000 plants.

When ordering, send a money order or a personal check. No C.O.D.'s, please.

To our Canadian customers: Secure an import permit from your Department of Agriculture and forward it to us with your order. Postage at your expense. All orders from outside the United States are sent Air Mail, postage at your expense.

If your order arrives damaged or crushed: Report immediately to your postal clerk or department and have a bad order report filled out. We can place no damage claim without it. Please be prompt in doing this on arrival of a damaged order. Send the report along with your complaint, and a prompt adjustment or replacement will be made. The postal department does not recognize any frozen claims. There is no insurance to protect a loss of this kind; only damaged and broken claims are honored.

We ship the year round when possible. During freezing weather orders are acknowledged and booked. Allow a reasonable time for delivery. All accessories are sent postpaid.

All plants are shipped from our greenhouses in 2-in. clay pots. They are young, vigorous, clean stock, 3 to 5 in. high. Please do not mistake our well-established growing plants in pots for rooted cuttings. We ship only plants that are ready to bloom. When ordering, state a second choice for each variety. With our large selection of varieties, certain popular kinds sometimes become scarce. Rather than ship another plant of our own choice, we prefer you to mention a second choice. Many times prices are subject to change without notice, and we may use these substitutes to give you the lower price benefit.

Our reference: Huntingdon Valley Trust Co., Huntingdon Valley, Pa.

SUGGESTIONS FOR THE CARE OF AFRICAN VIOLETS

The African Violet is one of the easiest house plants to grow in today's light, modern, thermostatically controlled homes. Its popularity is due in large part to its free blooming ability. Upon receiving a fresh order of plants, you are likely to have many questions about the best care that can be given to keep them in healthy blooming condition. May we make the following suggestions:

WHAT SIZE POT? WHAT SOIL?

Plants are usually received in 2-in. clay pots and should remain in them for 10 days or longer, until they have become adjusted to your home atmosphere. Plants bloom best when they are pot-bound. Thick-leaf varieties such as America, DuPont, Supreme, Amazon and Mammoth types should always be left in small pots for best results. African Violets rarely need pots any larger than the 4-in. squatty type. Many growers are highly successful with the plastic Wick-Fed pots. However, remember not to transplant to these pots until the plants are large enough. Allow the reservoir to dry out between waterings, and once a week or so give plants a drink from the top, between stems, to keep the salts in the soil from accumulating at the top of the pot and forming a crust.

Always use sterilized, properly blended soil for re-potting. Our certified soil, which we ship to customers, is the same that we use for our tremendous growing stock. Do not contaminate fresh, well-protected stock by using soil not

suitably blended and sterilized.

TEMPERATURE AND EXPOSURE

A normal house temperature of 65° to 70° is most suitable. If your home is very hot and dry, we suggest that you grow Violets on pebble-filled trays, where you can create more moisture by keeping the pebbles moist at all times and by watering the plants individually at the top of the pot as needed.

North and west windows are best during the hot summer months, where plenty of light enters but not strong sunlight. South and east exposures give best results in winter. This induces blooming, since the sun is not very strong at that time of year.

WATERING

The best rule to follow is to water plants when the soil feels only slightly moist to the touch. Do not allow plants to become thoroughly dry before watering them. On the other hand, do not allow them to become waterlogged, for this encourages crown rot, especially during the hot summer months. Remember to use warm water, preferably rain water, distilled water or any that is free of chemicals. Frequency of watering depends upon size of pot, room temperature, humidity and exposure. Plants can be watered from top or bottom.

TO KEEP VIOLETS FREE OF PESTS AND DISEASE

This can best be done by using Optox Spray (20 drops to a pint of warm water), Kapsulate or the new, ready-to-use Antrol Bomb. Make a practice of using an insecticide at least once a month as a preventive. No leaf-spotting will occur if foliage is allowed to dry thoroughly before plants are placed in sun or light. You may find evening the most convenient time to spray; in normal house temperatures leaves of plants will be dry before morning.

Violets received from our greenhouses have been grown here under careful conditions to combat diseases. We are state and federal certified, and we keep in effect a constant

fumigation program.

The pests that most often bother the home grower are mite and mealy-bugs. Both of these can be remedied in the early stages with the use of Optox Spray, Antrol Bomb or Sodium Selenate capsules (Kapsulate). If plants become too badly infested, it is best to discard them for the protection of other plants that are healthy. Springtails, which are a fine, thread-like pest, can best be controlled by using any preventive previously mentioned. Nematodes are small round worm-like animals that enter plants through roots, cause a swelling of the roots, stems or leaves and eventually result in an injury known as root knot. The best means of controlling them is by using sterilized soil to prevent contamination. Plants badly infested should be discarded.

REASONS FOR COMMON AILMENT: BUD DROP AND STEM ROT

When buds fall off or do not last long enough to develop, there may be a number of reasons: too dry an atmosphere—that is, lack of humidity; the effect of gas fumes; not enough sunlight and good air circulation; overwatering; extreme changes of temperature and drafts; leaving recently watered plants near a cold window overnight.

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Stem rot is caused by fungi that enter the tissues of the plants and cause damage and death to cells. The only remedy for this type of rot is to use sterilized soil. And be careful not to overwater; waterlogged soil is the main reason for the

attack by the fungi.

AFRICAN VIOLETS SHOULD BE FED

Plants should be fed at least twice every month. If Violets are expected to perform at their best, a plant food should be given them. A liquid food is perhaps the easiest to use. Liqua Vita is excellent, as it is simply added to the water. Complete directions are on every bottle. If you prefer a powdered food, Hyponex is a real favorite and is also very easy to use. Directions appear on every can. When preparing food for plants, mix only the amount to be used for one feeding. Both foods mentioned are also safe for other house plants.

Yours for more beautiful, healthy Violets,

TINARI FLORAL GARDENS BETHAYRES, PA.

African Violets

- AMERICA. A handsome addition to any collection. Huge, beautiful, true blue flowers. Heavily serrated, crisp, heart-shaped leaf. Distinctive in every detail. Large golden stamens. A graceful, upright manner of growth. \$1.00 each. See in color, page 8.
- AIR WAVES. Large airy white. Semi- to full-double flower that opens out with definite yellow stamens. Pale green slightly tapered wavy leaf. \$1.00 each.
- ALL AGLOW. Bright pink blossom on girl leaf. \$1.00 each.
- APRICOT MIST. A semi-double of unusual light peach color. Heavily cut and scalloped pointed girl leaf. Ready Fall 1956. \$1.50 each.
- BERNICE. Bright medium blue, airy double flower. Sturdy green leaf. \$1.00 each.
- BLUE KNIGHT. Large-flowering; intense purple-blue. Excellent bloomer. 75c each.
- BLUSHING. Very heavy double. Free flowering, creamy blush color. Sturdy medium green leaf with red back. \$1.00 each.
- BLACK FRINGE. Very deep purple-black, fringed flower. Good fringed, egg-shaped leaf. Excellent grower. \$1.00 each. See in color, page 8.
- BLUE EYES. Baby-blue flower; glossy green foliage. 50c each.
- BLUE PEAK. New and exotic double type flowering Geneva. Medium blue double flower with twinkling white edge. \$1.00 each.
- BLUE WARRIOR. Vivid deep purple-blue. Outstanding narrow, glossy dark green leaf, wine-red underneath. 75c each.

- BRENITA GIRL. Rosy lavender bloom on heavily scalloped girl type leaf. 75c each.
- BRIDESMAID. Lively blue and white, large, mottled flower on sturdy quilted foliage. Double flowering. \$1.00 each.
- BURGUNDY. Medium wine-red on girl leaf. 75c each.
- CHERIE. Airy, burgundy-colored, heavily frilled bloom on exquisite girl foliage, deeply cut. 75c each.
- CHRISTINA. Immense pale blue flower on dark green, quilted leaf. \$1.00 each.
- CLEMENTINE. A truly distinctive frilled, pure white flower on ruffled girl foliage. A profuse bloomer and an outstanding variety. \$1.00 each. See in color, page 9.
- **DOUBLE INSPIRATION.** Profuse-blooming, double lilac flower on symmetrical, medium green leaves. \$1.00 each.
- **DOUBLE LADY.** Dark blue, double flower on interesting glossy, girl type leaf. 75c each.
- **DOUBLE PAINTED GIRL.** Painted girl double flower, mottled, streaked and edged with orchid and wine-colored markings. Interesting girl foliage. \$2.00 each. See in color, front cover.
- DOUBLE ROSE. An exciting new double, rose-tinted bloom with sturdy leaf. \$1.00 each.
- **DOUBLE WINE VELVET.** Double-flowering, intense winered velvet flower. Dark glossy green, sharply tapered leaf. \$1.00 each.
- DOUBLE WINE VELVET GIRL. A radiant wine-red, double flower having resplendent glossy girl leaves. \$1.00 each.
- DUPONT LAVENDER GIRL. Large lavender flower on DuPont scalloped girl foliage. \$1.00 each.
- EDITH CAVELLE. Interesting new variety. Pale orchid, frilled bloom; dark green, slightly fringed leaf. 75c each.
- FANTASY. Flowers of lavender-blue, freckled and striped; most unusual. Medium green, upright foliage. 75c each.
- FANTASY GIRL. Fantasy flower on girl foliage. 75c each.
- **FLORENTINE.** Of rare beauty. Large, exotic, airy blue fringed bloom. Prolific. Medium green, wavy, fringed, pointed leaf. \$1.00 each.
- FLUFFY DOUBLE. Double flower, blue and white mottled. Sturdy medium green leaf. 75c each.
- FRILLED DUPONT. A large lacy lavender bicolor, heavily fluted and fringed. Robust leaf of heavy round type. \$1.00 each.
- FROSTY NITE. Unusual type leaf of green and white variegated. Flower ranges from lavender, white to very deep purple. 75c each.
- FROSTED BLUE LACE. Immense pale blue ruffled flowers with white frosted effect. Soft DuPont foliage. \$1.50 each.
- GENEVA BEAUTY. Royal-purple with lasting, twinkling white edge. Well-shaped, slightly quilted leaf. \$1.00 each.
- **GLAMOUR BOY.** White with lavender-red markings and edging. Plain, sturdy leaf. 75c each.
- GROTEI. Species known as the Trailing African Violet. Dainty blue flower; trailing habit of growth. 75c each.
- HELEN WILSON BOUQUET. Deep rich wine-red, double flowers on sturdy, uniform, flat, crisp girl foliage. 75c each.
- HONEY BUD. Soft lush pink double flower. Slightly quilted heart-shaped leaf. A real honey. \$1.50 each.
- INNOCENCE. Ivory-white. Forest-green leaf with wine-red back. 75c each.
- JESSIE. Excellent bloomer. Pale lavender. 50c each.







JUNE BRIDE

- MARINE BOUQUET. Vivid light blue; double flowering. Glossy light green leaf. Profuse bloomer. 75c each.
- NAVY BOUQUET. Very dark navy-purple, double flowers. Heavily crinkled leaf with red back. This is a very distinctive variety and an all-star winner. Your collection is not complete without this beautiful plant. \$1.00 each. See in color, page 9.
- NAVY GIRL. Dark navy-purple, double flower. This plant is similar to the ever popular Navy Bouquet in its beautiful growth habit, with interesting girl type leaf. \$1.00 each.
- NEPTUNE. Another old favorite. Large, velvety purple bloom; quilted leaf. 75c each.
- OLD ROSE BOUQUET. Plant similar in manner of growth to Navy Bouquet, having dark old-rose, double flowers. 75c each.
- PAINTED GIRL. Interesting girl type. White flowers are streaked and edged with orchid and wine-colored markings. Most outstanding. 75c each.
- PANSY. Another very unusual variety. Beautiful rounded blue flowers with wide white edge. Good bloomer. 75c each.
- PHILADELPHIA BELLE. Large, semi-double, white with faint blue-tinged center. Heavily scalloped girl leaf. 75c each.
- PINK ATTRACTION. Large, rounded, deep pink bloom on large, rounded, picot-edge foliage. 75c each.
- PINK CHEER. A new deep pink on dark foliage, red on reverse side. Upright manner of growth. 75c each.
- PINK CUSHION. Dark pink double flower. Sturdy, firm, medium green leaf. \$1.50 each.
- PINK DILLY. This is a striking intense, single rose-pink type bloom. Plant of good form with sturdy forest green leaf, red back. \$1.00 each.
- PINK DRESDEN. The beautiful new double pink with glossy girl type leaf. Long-lasting, upright, semi- to full-double flowers. \$1.00 each. See in color, page 8.

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- PINK LUSTER. A luscious seashell-pink of profuse blooming quality. Glossy green leaf. 75c each.
- PINK NEPTUNE. Neptune type plant, being typically glossy, with medium pink bloom. 75c each.
- PINK PUFF. Beautiful bright semi- to full-double pink bloom that opens out. Free flowering, sturdy quilted, heart-shaped leaf. Spring-green leaf. \$1.50 each.
- PINK ROCK. Well formed pompon, free flowering, true double, clear pink bloom. Glossy girl type leaf of delightful form. \$2.00 each.



PHILADELPHIA BELLE



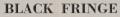
PAINTED GIRL. A single white with wine brush marks.

- PINK SHOCKING. Vivid bright pink; dark leaf. Outstanding. 75c each.
- PINK WONDER. (Pat.) New large deep pink. Large leaves similar to Snow Prince. \$1.00 each.
- POMPONETTE. Delicate double-flowering pink bloom, sturdy quilted very dark green leaf. \$1.50 each.
- PURPLE KNIGHT. Large royal-purple. Good bloomer. Glossy, dark leaf. 75c each.
- RED KING. Deep rich violet-red. Holds its color well. Exceptionally attractive, heart-shaped, quilted leaves of medium dark green. 75c each.
- **RED LADY.** Intense red flower with lovely girl type foliage. 75c each.
- ROSEWING. Immense white ruffled bloom, suffused with rose shadings. Dark green DuPont leaf. \$1.50 each.
- ROYAL BLUE TRAILER. A semi-double, vivid royalblue flower. Very striking on trailing type Grotei foliage. One of our trailing varieties. \$1.00 each.
- RUBY BOUQUET. This is of very vivid ruby-wine color. Firm, glossy leaf of dark green. 75c each.
- RUBY GIRL. Scalloped, ruffled, dark reddish bronze foliage. Bicolored reddish lavender flowers, tipped with darker shade. 75c each.
- RUFFLED BEAUTY. Girl type foliage, having very unusual marking in the leaf of red, yellow and lavender. A well-shaped, rounded, lavender flower adds to the rich beauty of this variety. 75c each.
- RUFFLED GENEVA. Large deep purple-blue flower with ruffled white edge. Has unusual characteristic of being pinched back on its petals. Long tapered, wavy leaf of dark forest green with distinct red back. \$1.00 each.
- RUFFLED QUEEN. Heavily ruffled, fringed, dark burgundy-colored flower with the appearance of being turned back. Heavy flower stalks and large sawtoothed DuPont foliage. \$1.00 each.
- SAILOR GIRL. Ever-popular light blue flower on heavily scalloped, lush girl foliage. 75c each.
- SKY TRAILER. Exciting airy sky-blue, double flower on Grotei type foliage. One of the new trailing varieties of selected Grotei crosses. \$1.00 each.
- SNOW PRINCE. Large, rounded, glistening white flower, resembling Neptune formation. Flat-growing, heart-shaped leaf. A very profuse bloomer. 75c each.
- SPRINGTIME. Creamy blush-pink, tinged rounded flower. Slightly quilted dark green leaf, flushed underside. \$1.50 each.





BLACK FRINGE



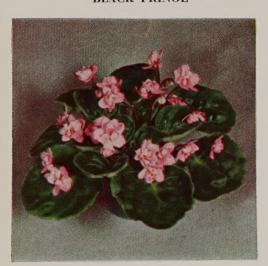
Its rich dark blackish purple color and good growing qualities make this a favorite. Fringed in both flower and foliage. \$1.00 each.

CLEMENTINE

Here is a very fine pure white Violet that stands out well from its girl type foliage. Free blooming, \$1.00 each.



CLEMENTINE



DOUBLE PINK DRESDEN

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The beautiful new double pink with glossy girl type leaf. Long-lasting, upright, semi- to full-double flowers. \$1.00 each.



NAVY BOUQUET

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This is a double-flowered, dark navy-purple variety, very distinct from all others. Thick, heavy leaves frame the blooms \$1.00 each.



A handsome addition to any collection. Huge, beautiful, true blue flowers. Heavily serrated, crisp, heart-shaped leaf. Distinctive in every detail. Large golden stamens. A graceful, upright manner of growth. \$1.00 each.



WINE VELVET

AMERICA

WINE VELVET

Flowers are warm wine-red in color, against very dark foliage. A lovely variety that should be in every collection. \$1.00 each.



EPISCIA VARIETIES in a strawberry jar.



"GROTEI" trailing type.

- STAR AMETHYST. This variety is similar to Star Sapphire but is of striking lavender color. 75c each.
- STAR GIRL. White, streaked and edged with medium blue markings. Leaves of good girl type. Most outstanding. 75c each.
- SUGAR BABE. New bicolored Geneva type. Color similar to Sugar Plum Girl, but flower is larger, with distinct rounded petals, the upper two of dark lavender-plum color and the lower three of lighter shade. Framed by a twinkling sugar-white edge and girl foliage. \$1.00 each. See in color, back cover.
- SUNRISE. A profuse-blooming red-lavender with dark reddish bronze foliage, red on the back. 75c each.
- THE BRIDE. Airy white and blue tinted large double bloom on sturdy, slightly quilted foliage. \$1.00 each.
- TINARI'S JUNE BRIDE. See our lovely new pure white "June Bride" in photo, page 6. Immense, frilled, glistening snowflake-white blooms of shimmering beauty. Wavy, long-tapered, spring-green leaf. \$1.50 each.
- GENEVA TRAILER. Purple-blue flower with white border. Grotei type trailing foliage, bronze underneath. \$1.00 each.
- VELVET GIRL. New large bicolor pansy-like blooms of wine-red. Upper petals deep velvety red. Excellent sturdy girl foliage. 75c each.
- VENICE BLUE. (Formerly Valencia.) Delicate airy soft blue, lacy frilled bloom. Wavy and slightly fringed leaf. \$1.00 each.
- WHITE FOOT. Very profuse bloomer. Slightly fringed white bloom. Sharply tapered, egg-shaped leaf. 75c each.
- WHITE GIRL. Plain white flower on girl leaf. 75c each.
- WHITE PRIDE. True pompon, double-flowering pure white bloom. Sturdy growing type. Medium green foliage. Flower stands well above the foliage. \$1.50 each.
- WHITE MADONNA. Beautiful new variety. Pure white, double flower. Sturdy, shiny, girl type leaf. 75c each.
- WILD GIRL. Exciting new Grotei type seedling. This is a trailing type with sky-blue flower. Wild-looking girl type leaf. 75c each.
- WILD ROSA. Deep shocking pink color. Double bloom. Slightly quilted heart-shaped, very dark green leaf. Upright grower. \$1.50 each.
- WINE VELVET. A lush wine-red beauty that holds its color well. Outstanding among the red types. Long, shiny, sharply tapered, dark forest-green leaf of good form. \$1.00 each. See in color, page 9.

EPISCIAS

These beautiful plants are in the same family as African Violets. They will provide variety and add interest to your collection.

- CHOCOLATE SOLDIER. Fascinating striped leaf—green markings on bronze-copper. Red flower. \$1.25 each.
- COCCINEA. Dark velvety bronze leaf with bright green vein markings. Red flower. 75c each.
- CUPREATA. Velvety dark bronze plain leaf. Red flower. 75c each.
- **EPISCIA DIANTHIFLORA.** New and exotic pure white bloom with interesting frayed, lacy white edge. Small, dark forest green leaf. \$1.50 each.
- FANNY HAAGE. Velvety bronze leaf with light green veining. Blue flower. 75c each.
- LILACENA. Velvety dark bronze leaf with pinkish veins. Red flower. 75c each.
- LILACENA BLUE. Velvety bronze-red leaf with pinkish veins. Blue flower. 75c each.
- SILVER SHEEN. Striped silver-gray on shiny, medium green leaf. Red flower. 75c each.
- SPLENDENS. Medium green leaf with gray veining. Red bloom. 75c each.
- VIRIDIFOLIA. Bright medium green, shiny leaf. Red bloom. 75c each.



The New Floraliter

Attractively designed to fit window seat, radiator or small table, to hold a dozen plants or more,

Constructed of heavy-gauge steel, the Floraliter is bonderized and given a white baked enamel finish to last a lifetime without rusting. To blend with modern or period decorative scheme.

The Floraliter measures 9" x 24" x 12". Complete with T-8, 15 watt, GE fluorescent daylight tube. Bottom tray is 15%" deep—enough room for vermiculite. Will not leak or corrode.

Wiring and electrical fixtures are of approved heavy-duty type, concealed in a housing under the top. Neat white standard 6-ft. cord and plug. \$14.95, postpaid.



COMPLETE BOOK ON AFRICAN

VIOLETS. By Helen Van Pelt Wilson, 29 Violets in full color Up to 40 pages of drawings. Latest up-to-date cultural directions on all phases of growing these beautiful flowering plants. \$3.50 each. (Autographed copies by author still available on request.)

ALUMINUM WINDOW TRAYS. Fine for narrow window sill or shelf. 27 in. long x 6½ in. wide x 1½ in. deep (brackets and screws included). Your choice of neutral aluminum or moss-green finish. Most useful and attractive. Holds five 3-in. pots, ten to twelve 2-in. pots. \$2.25 each, postpaid.

Tinari's Certified African Violet Soil

Especially prepared, blended and sterilized for house culture of the lovely African Violet. It contains all the finest basic materials most essential to good Saintpaulia culture.

This soil has been treated to control most nematodes, soil insects, root rots, wilts and weed seeds, also undesirable soil organisms such as eel worms commonly found in most soils, harmful soil fungi, and other forms of bacteria that prevent good growth and blooms on your plants.

3 lbs. \$1.00, postpaid; 25c extra west of Mississippi, 5 lbs. \$1.50, postpaid; 35c extra west of Mississippi.



STYLE I SOUARE TYPE CHI-NESE PLASTIC WICK-FED PLANTERS. In attractive assorted colors, all with black base, 65c each; 6 for \$3.75. postpaid.

STYLE 2 ROUND TYPE PLASTIC WICK-FED PLANTERS. In attractive assorted colors, all with black base. 40c each; 6 for \$2.25, postpaid.



NEUTRAL MOTTLED COLOR PLASTIC POTS

Twelve 2-in. pots for 60c, postpaid. Six 3-in. squatty type pots for 65c, postpaid. Six 4-in. squatty type pots for 75c, postpaid.

NEUTRAL MOTTLED COLOR PLASTIC SAUCERS

Six 3¾-in. saucers for 50c, postpaid. Six 4½-in. saucers for 60c, postpaid.

> Try Tinari's Violets. A trial order will convince you

- HYPONEX PLANT FOOD. An odorless, economical, powdered plant food for African Violets. Does not lose its vitality. Directions on every package. 3-oz. can 25c; 7-oz. can 65c; 1-lb. can \$1.25, all postpaid.
- **LIQUA-VITA PLANT FOOD.** A highly concentrated fertilizer with plant hormones and Vitamin B_1 in liquid form. Easy to use; simply add to water. Non-acid-forming; excellent for African Violets and all other house plants. 8-oz. bottle (makes 16 gals. plant food) 75c, postpaid; 1-qt. bottle \$1.50, postpaid.
- OPTOX VIOLET SPRAY. To keep your plants clean and free from cyclamen mite, mealy-bug, thrips and other common diseases of African Violets and other plants. Complete directions on every bottle. 1-oz. bottle 60c; 6-oz. bottle \$1.35; 1-pt. bottle \$2.50, all postpaid.



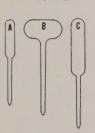
- ANTROL HOUSEPLANT BOMB. New Antrol African Violet and house plant insect bomb releases a killing mist over plants. Kills tiny mealy-bugs, mites, aphids, exposed thrips, white flies, and other life-sucking parasites. Ready to use; no mixing, no pouring. \$1.25, postpaid.
- KAPSULATE. Sodium Selenate in new capsule form. Easy to use. Merely insert in the pot and water the soil. Insects such as aphids, cyclamen mite, red spider, thrips, etc., which try to feed on the plant, are either killed or repelled. Pkg. of 12 capsules 50c, postpaid.
- PROLIFEROL POWDER. A well-balanced, scientific growth stimulant for treating Violet leaf cuttings before rooting. Encourages rapid root development. Pkg. 35c, postpaid.
- **VERMICULITE.** An excellent rooting medium for house culture. Sterile heat treated to 2000° F. Generous size bag, \$1.00, postpaid.
- AFRICAN VIOLET SEED. Approximately 300 seeds to a package. Directions for sowing with every package. Crosses made with good standard varieties. Pkg. \$1.75, postpaid. Special Hybrid Crosses, pkt. \$3.50.
- CARONex. Granulated charcoal for conditioning plants in soil, sand or water. Absorbs and destroys harmful root gases, acids and impurities. Keeps soil sweet and neutralizes water. 3 ozs. 25c, postpaid.
- PELONex (Pelletized Volcanic Rock Plant Progagator). Starts seeds, roots cuttings. Replaces sand. 3 ozs. 25c, postpaid.
- PROLIFEROL CAPSULES. A growth stimulant and planttissue builder. Can be used in place of regular water as often as necessary. 8 capsules makes 8 gals. \$1.25, postpaid.

Plant Stakes

A-4½-in. Vertical Stake. 20 for 50c; 40 for 80c.

B-2-in. by 5-in. Tee Stake. 10 for 55c; 25 for \$1.00.

C—6-in. Vertical Stake. 10 for 50c; 25 for 90c.



IMPORTED ITALIAN STRAWBERRY JAR

Holds 7 plants. Natural pottery color. 11 in. high, with drainage hole at bottom. \$5.75 each, postpaid. See photo, page 10.

Novelty Violet Basket

Of Grecian design in pink with pink plastic liner, white metal with white plastic liner or black metal with pink or white liner. This metal basket will hold two 2-in, pots or a large specimen in a 3-in, pot. Makes a beautiful centerpiece. $6 \times 3 \frac{1}{2}$ inches. Finished with neat legs 6 x 3 ½ inches. Finished with neat legs and curved handles. \$1.65 each, postpaid.



NOVELTY VIOLET BASKET



CERAMIC VIOLET IAR

Ceramic Violet Iar

In six sparkling colors! To delight any Violet enthusiast. Mot-Tan, Blue, Green Gray and in glossy solid colors of sparkling White or solid Black.

Handmade and hand painted in glossy ceramic with suitable space glossy ceramic with suitable space for four of your favorite plants. Proper drainage hole in bottom. Stands 5½ inches high and is ap-proximately 5¾ inches in cir-cumference. \$2.65 each, postpaid.

Midget VioleTree

Artistically fashioned for windowsill, table or centerpiece

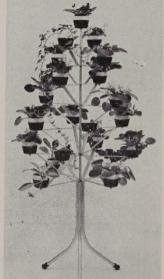
Holds nine plants, measures 17 inches tall, 14 inches in circumference. Cups neatly in proportion to stand 234 inches by 1¼ inches deep to hold 2-in. or 3-in. pots, without the necessity of saucers.

Rubber tipped balanced legs. An ideal gift for the violet hobbyist. In Antique black or silver color finish. \$9.95 each. postpaid.



MIDGET VIOLETREE

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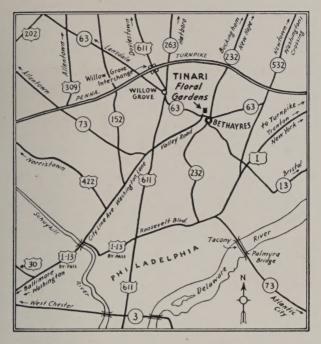


New! Creatively designed VIOLETREE

Delightful gift for violet and plant hobbyists

Now you can own an artistically designed "VioleTree" to hold your choice plants in neat, space-saving order. Sturdy steel construction, 56½ inches tall, 25 inches circumference. 21 inches from floor to first arm and cup. Well balanced, neatly finished legs with rubber tips. Arms revolve and can be tips. Arms revolve and can be placed at any angle. The holders are cups, $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide $x \, 1\frac{1}{2}$ inches deep of heavy durable black plastic, which will not leak. Suitable to hold 2 or 3-in, pots and 4-in, standard size.

VioleTree stand in antique black or silver color finish. 21 cups, \$22.95 postpaid. 25 cups, \$24.95, postpaid.



Our greenhouses, with a capacity of over 200,000 plants, are devoted entirely to growing outstanding African Violets. This is not a side-line or a second crop at Tinari's. It is a specialty representing a life's work in growing the best in iolets and hybridizing and producing new varieties. We extend a cordial invitation to you to visit our green-

houses. Our entire range is devoted exclusively to the growing

of African Violets.

For your convenience we have assembled in one greenhouse groups of the many varieties we grow, in order to save you time and allow you to make variety comparison on sight. This showhouse offers you an excellent opportunity to become better acquainted with the new and standard varieties of your choice.

Our greenhouses and gardens are located in the picturesque valley of Bethayres, along the famous Pennypack Creek, 15 miles north of central Philadelphia, 3 miles east of Route 611 and 4 miles east of Willow Grove entrance to the Pennsylvania Turnpike.

Open daily from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M.; Sunday afternoon from 1 to 5 P.M. Evenings by appointment.

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